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<del></del>	This Week	<u>Last Week</u>	Year Ago
Hogs and Pork	-0.4-		4.5.00
Nat'l Purchased Wtd Avg Price - Barrows & Gilts (\$/cwt)	69.46	-1.8%	12.0%
Pork Carcass Cutout (\$/cwt)	75.46	-3.6%	11.6%
Segregated Early Weaned (SEW) Feeder Pigs (\$/head)	33.34	-4.4%	-5.4%
Iowa/So. Minn Avg Weight Barrows & Gilts (lbs)	259.4	-0.4%	-2.1%
Est. Hog Slaughter	2,306,000	12.8%	3.5%
YTD Est. Hog Slaughter	79,928,000		8.7%
Est. Pork Production (mil lbs)	450.2	12.5%	1.5%
YTD Est. Pork Production (mil lbs)	16,002.6		8.4%
Cattle and Beef			
Live Wtd Avg Steer Price, 5 Area FOB (\$/cwt)	98.21	-0.3%	6.3%
Dressed Wtd Avg Steer Price, 5 Area Del (\$/cwt)	152.33	-1.4%	4.7%
Boxed Beef Cutout, Choice (\$/cwt)	159.90	0.5%	8.7%
Boxed Beef Cutout, Select (\$/cwt)	153.17	0.8%	9.5%
Boxed Beef, Choice/Select Spread (\$/cwt)	6.73	-4.3%	-6.5%
By-Product Drop Value, Steer (\$/cwt live)	11.78	0.2%	19.1%
CME Feeder Cattle Index (\$/cwt)	110.98	-0.9%	-5.7%
Texas Avg Live Weight Slaughter Cattle (lbs)	1,256	-0.4%	-1.5%
Texas Percent Slaughter Heifers	41%	2%	17.1%
Est. Cattle Slaughter	657,000	10.8%	1.9%
YTD Est. Cattle Slaughter	24,178,000		0.8%
Est. Beef Production (mil lbs)	513.7	11.5%	1.4%
YTD Est. Beef Production (mil lbs)	18,642.8		1.3%
Lamb and Veal			
Slaughter Lamb, Choice & Prime, Wtd Avg Price (\$/cwt)	103.49	0.2%	-0.7%
Lamb Carcass Cutout (\$/cwt)	241.91	-1.1%	5.9%
Est. Sheep Slaughter	45,000	12.5%	-11.8%
YTD Est. Sheep Slaughter	1,665,000		-5.4%
Est. Lamb Production (mil lbs)	3.0	11.1%	-9.1%
YTD Est. Lamb Production (mil lbs)	117.1		-4.4%
Veal Carcass Wtd Avg Composite (\$/cwt)	277.41	-0.5%	-11.2%
Grain			
Central Illinois Avg Corn Price (\$/bu)	5.1550	0.2%	69.9%
Central Illinois Avg Soybean Price (\$/bu)	11.8950	-2.1%	33.5%
Central Illinois 48% Soybean Meal, Rail (\$/ton)	371.80	7.5%	45.9%
Hard Red Winter Wheat Truck to Kansas City (\$/bu)	7.1000	-4.7%	-10.6%
Dark Northern Spring Wheat, 14%, MN, Rail (\$/bu)	8.4025	-6.1%	5.4%
Soft White Wheat Portland (\$/bu)	6.8800	-10.1%	-20.5%
Sorghum, Kansas City, Truck (\$/cwt)	8.21	-5.0%	52.6%
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